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BOTH CAMPS LIKE SWANSON'S PLAN

New Orleans and San Francisco
Boosters Approve His
Amendment.

Washington, January 18.—Senator Swanson, of Virginia, is optimistic regarding the adoption by Congress of his plan for holding an official celebration of the completion of the Panama Canal in Washington and at Norfolk, Va.

"I have talked with both the New

Orleans and the California supporters," he said this morning. "and I believe both camps are ready and willing to accept my amendment to the bill naming the site for the big exposition."

Senator Swanson has also found many warm supporters of his plan, and is urging members of Congress to support it. He proposes that the ships of the leading nations of the world shall assemble at Hampton Roads for the greatest gathering of warships ever held; that the foreign representatives that will come to congratulate this nation on the completion of the herculean task on the isthmus of Panama shall come to Washington to pay their respects to the President and be feted in return, and that the President shall go to Hampton Roads, in returning the compliment, to review the large fleet of floating arsenals.

Capital the Proper Place.

Many of the supporters of New Orleans and San Francisco as the site for the exposition recognize that this official celebration centering around the national capital will fit in easily and appropriately with their exposition plans.

Senator Swanson's idea is that the assembled fleets would steam out of Hampton Roads at the conclusion of the official ceremonies, with clearance papers for the port of the exposition city. The trip to New Orleans would be a short one, while that to San Francisco would necessitate a passage of the boats through the completed waterway across Panama.

It is admitted, too, by occupants of the two opposing camps that any official celebration would be a fitting beginning of the ceremonies that would culminate in a great exposition and the climax in a great exposition, lauding the union of the two great oceans, the shortening of the water route around the world, the impetus to international commerce and the consequent advance toward world peace based on closer commercial interests and relations.

Should Have Water Fete.

The advertisement, too, which such an official celebration would give to the exposition is considered by the promoters of the fair.

It is believed that such a water fete as is proposed should be a part of the celebration of the completion of the waterway that is to shorten many water routes; and as the battleship exhibit will be the movable feature of the fair, it is regarded as proper they should form the main feature of the official celebration to be held at the capital of the nation, which has had the courage to undertake a big task and push it to completion.

THREE NEGROES SENTENCED.

Were Tried on Charges of Holding Up
Man and Robbing Him.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
Roanoke, Va., January 18.—Three negroes, tried here to-day for highway robbery, were found guilty, and their punishment fixed as follows: Byrd Wade, eight years; Henry Day, eight years; and Madison Stevens, ten years. The negroes held up a man during the Christmas holidays, and after beating him, robbed him of \$15.

A motion was made to set aside the verdict. The judge informed the attorneys that if he set aside the verdict in the Wade case, that he would have him up for perjury. It is said that several of the witnesses will be arrested for perjury.

Simpson—Blackwell.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
Front Royal, Va., January 18.—Mrs. B. F. Blackwell was married this afternoon to M. O. Simpson, of Hoyce, at the home of her parents, Dr. and Mrs. M. L. Garrison, Rev. W. H. Brown, rector of the Episcopal Church, officiated. Only the immediate members of both families were present.

WILL G. O. P. IN VIRGINIA CLIMB ON BAND WAGON?

Meeting of State Executive Committee Called
for Next Week at Roanoke—Believed
Taft Will Be Endorsed.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
Washington, D. C., January 18.—Representative Bascom Slomp, State chairman of the Republican party of Virginia, to-day telegraphed Secretary George L. Hart, at Roanoke, to call a meeting of the executive committee for some time next week, the exact date to be decided upon later. This action is taken for two reasons, though Mr. Slomp would not discuss the matter to-day except in a very general way.

It is expected that Virginia will follow the lead of North Carolina and endorse President Taft for another term. There is little if any chance of Colonel Roosevelt receiving the endorsement at the hands of the Virginia Republicans.

Another matter, and the most interesting one in connection with the meet-

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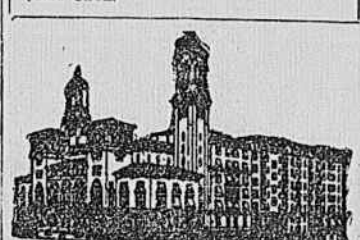
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LEHMANN UPHOLDS CORPORATION TAX

His Argument Will Constitute
Chief Defense of Payne-
Aldrich Law.

Washington, D. C., January 18.—Solicitor-General Lehmann, of the Department of Justice, to-day argued before the Supreme Court of the United States that the corporation tax provisions of the Payne-Aldrich tariff act were constitutional. His argument is to constitute the principal defense of the law, which has been called in question in fifteen cases now before the court.

The Solicitor-General told the court that the fifteen cases before it had been brought by shareholders in corporations, who objected to the latter paying the tax. Each of the corporations had expressed an intention to obey the law.

"The government is here," said the Solicitor-General, "to help the corporations pay the tax."

Every objection had been raised to the tax, Mr. Lehmann said, that could be raised to any tax possible of being levied under the Constitution. The only limitation on the scope of the Federal government to tax, he said, applied to exports. Possibly there was an implied limitation against taxation of the agencies and instrumentalities of State governments, he added. As to the mode of taxation, he said, the only limitations were the apportioning of direct taxes and the making of excises taxes uniform.

The corporation tax, according to the Solicitor-General, violated none of the limitations. He described the tax as an excise tax, but said the fact that it exempted dividends did not prevent it being uniform. The government had a right to look at more than the revenue

to be obtained, according to the Solicitor-General; it had the right to consider the general welfare of the people in making classifications for taxation.

He declared that the tax was not upon an instrumentality of a State, a franchise to a corporation, but was upon the exercise of the right procured by the corporation.

GIRLS' CLUB ORGANIZED AT APPOMATTOX HIGH SCHOOL.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
Appomattox, Va., January 18.—The girls of the seventh grade, first, second and third year high school grades, met to-day and organized, under the supervision of Miss J. O'Keefe and L. Crawley. The Girls' Club is similar to the Boys' Club, already organized. The work of the club will consist in cooking, sewing and drawing. There are to be many contests held, in which all the girls will be expected to take part. Prizes will be given for the best dress, best embroidered handkerchief, best shirtwaist, best pone of bread, best cake, best bowl of jelly, best jar of pickles, best beaten biscuit and many others besides.

NAVAL ACCIDENT WILL BE PROBED

Secretary Meyer Appoints Board
to Investigate Disaster on
Delaware.

Washington, D. C., January 18.—The accident on the United States battleship Delaware yesterday, which killed eight men and seriously injured one, will be investigated by a board which Secretary of the Navy Meyer appointed to-day. The personnel of the board is as follows:

Captain Nathaniel R. Usher, com-

manding the battleship Michigan; Captain Charles C. Rogers, of the Norfolk Navy Yard; Commander Kenneth McAlpine, inspector of government machinery work at the plant of the Newport News Shipbuilding and Dry Dock Company; and Lieutenant-Commander Stanford E. Moses, of the Norfolk Navy Yard.

The board will supplement the work of the board of investigation which was appointed by Captain Gove, of the Delaware, immediately after the accident. It is known at the Navy Department only that the accident was caused by the blowing out of three backheaders of a boiler. The backheaders constitute the juncture of the tubes with the boiler, and such an accident as occurred on the Delaware is very unusual in the navy. In fact, many officers express the belief that it is the first one on record.

Bodies Taken to Norfolk.

Norfolk, Va., January 18.—The bodies of the eight victims of the explosion yesterday aboard the battleship Delaware, arrived at the United States Naval Hospital shortly before noon to-day. Upon the same naval tug that bore the bodies of the victims from the Delaware was Eugene Phillips, who was probably fatally injured in the accident. Phillips was hastened to the hospital ward.

The next of kin of each of the dead seamen have been notified, and the bodies, as claimed, will be forwarded to the homes for burial.

The Delaware arrived at the Navy Yard from Hampton Roads shortly after noon.

VIRGINIA CENSUS FIGURES ANNOUNCED

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
Washington, D. C., January 18.—The following Virginia census figures were announced here to-day:

	1910.	1900.
Basic City	1,632	1,270
Lawrenceville	1,732	760
Salem	3,819	3,412
Waynesboro	1,389	856

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